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On
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of cure. " " Every branch of science
has its central law. The science of grav-
itation, has a central law, by which all
bodies tend to the earth's center.

The same is true in regard to astro-
nomical science. In accordance with
the opinion of the great Christian As-
tronomer, Dr. Dick, not only the plan-
ets of our system revolve around their
central Sun, but systems revolve aro-
und systems, and the whole around
a great central power of attraction,
which, he denominates, the Throne
of the Almighty. The Legal Profession
have a central law. "Render to every
man his just due. The clerical Pro-
fession are not destitute of a central
law. "Love to God, and Love to man."

"On this hang all the Law, and the the Prophets." Shall the scientific Teacher, the Legal, and clerical Profession's have their contrat laws, and the Medical Profession left destitute? It is not reasonable to suppose, such to be the fact.

Some three score and ten years since a "Bright Star" appeared in the East, directing suffering humanity to the place, where the law might be found.

The Immortal Hahnemann appeared, with unfurled banner, and golden Initials inscribed thereon, "Similia Similibus Curantur". Many Herods arose, and are yet arising, their law of Empiricism and "craft", being in danger; sought, and yet are seeking to destroy this benefactor of suffering men, and his unchangeable Law.

But Hahnemann, like his Adorable Master, boldly, and fearlessly, stood by the Law, committed to his charge.

Although the revelation of this law, was reserved for this recent Benefactor, yet its antiquity, is coeval, with the recently discovered laws of Gravitation and Electricity. The revelation of the three, were reserved for a recent age.

But the antiquity, of each, is coeval with the laying of the foundations of the Heavens and the Earth.

The teeming worlds and circuitous systems, proclaim the truth of the law of gravitation. The pealing thunders and forked lightnings, quietly submitting, to be bottled up by Franklin, and harmlessly yielding obedience to Professor Morse, to be converted into chariots of fire, making, were its pathway,

to convey the mind of man, instantaneously across the bosom of the earth, alike, proclaims the truthfulness of its central law. We trust that even in a philosophical view, we shall find the truthfulness of the central law of cure as firmly established as those to which we have adverted. The effects, or efficacy of this law, as proved by Hahneman and his coadjutors, stands forth in majestic power, and incontrovertible proof, pointing the diseased suffer to the Silvorn of deliverance. The provings of the various drugs upon healthy organisms; together ^{with} the effect of diluted, or triturated remedies upon the diseased, when administered in accordance with this law, fully establish its truthfulness. Truth or facts are eternal. But error, like the gibbous lunatics

Becomes less and less attractive to the enlightened vision of the public mind.

Thus it is with the law of empiricism "Contra-
ria Contrariis". The mind of man in hours of folly and recreation, may submit to to experiment, artifice, or deception.

But in hours of sober reflection, pain, and suffering, it demands reality. Consequently the diseased and afflicted, are utterly opposed, to deception and experiment. But demand and have a right to demand, the remedial agent be administered, in accordance with a tangible, infallible law of cure.

We therefore assume the following,
Proposition; viz: Every cure affected
Since man became subject to disease, suffering, and death; has been in accordance with our Contract Law of Cure. This will appear evident;

1st From the fact, that there must be an affinity, between the dynamic power of the drug, and the diseased organism.

The remedy, must cover the symptoms produced by disease; which the drug, had produced upon a healthy subject.

If there be a perfect agreement, of the two classes of symptoms, the scientific practitioner is sure of restoring his patient, in case it be a curable disease.

There is no blind chance about it. Hence great care and study, are requisite, in the selection of an appropriate remedy. When this is done, the affinity, is secured, and the patient recovers.

The empiric may sometimes blunder upon a remedy, which effects a cure. But no thanks to him. To illustrate; the patient has nausea, or vomiting, and diarrhoea. Opium is given in the former,

and mercury, in the latter case.

Each may have been given, in drug doses, and great aggravation produced.

After this inhuman aggravation subsides, the patient may recover.

And why? not because of the aggravation, but in consequence of the minute portion of the drug, having an affinity with the disease, becomes absorbed in the fine part of the system, and promotes the cure.

This view is the only reasonable & philosophical one. There being no mechanical obstruction, nor foreign body to be removed; there can be no tangible reason given, in justification for such discharges and aggravations, either from the stomach or intestines. We remark,

That the fine mechanism of the

vascular system, requires a fine remedial agent. Commencing with the heart, and the great aorta with its various branches, these branches divide, and subdivide into thousands and tens of thousands, so small, that the eye fails to detect them.

The microscope is then brought to its aid. The divisions are seen going on, and on, dividing and subdividing, again and again, till microscopie discernment fails.

The capillaries mock at the wisdom of man, with all his artificial aids to define, or fix the median line where the arterial blood stops, and the venous begins. The remedial agent must be fitted to this fine mechanism, or be refused. Not only the vascular, but the nervous system, if possible, is still

more refined permeating the entire system. So that the viewless point of the bees sting, cannot be forced into the skin in any place, but it comes in contact with a fine nerve, which bears the painful news to the, the seat of the spirit, that there is trouble below. The trunks of the various bundles of nerves are coated by a condensed areolar, or fibrous tissue. Disssect this, and other trunks are brought to view, coated by a yet finer sheath tissue. Disssect yet another, and another, till not only the eye, but microscopie vision again fails to bring all to view. Dr. Dalton in substance affirms, that there is an incomprehensibility connected with this fine mechanism of the system. The entire system is made up of

nerves, ganglia, and commissures.

The nerves are indispensable in animal economy. Muscular motion, Digestion, Respiration, and Circulation are dependent, both upon, ~~both~~ the motor and sensitive nerves.

The minute filaments ramify through every part of the system.

Hence, "If one member suffer, all the rest suffer with it." When an organ becomes diseased, there is irritability through the entire nervous system, in connection, with all physical functions. But what is this agent denominated, "disease", which produces pain and debility?

But a minute subtle agent, accompanying the vascular and nerve vessels or filaments causing derangement of the vital functions, by which, nature's action is interrupted or disturbed?

Is it not evident, therefore, that it must be, not ~~by any~~ equally, refined, subtle, remedial agent? Every scientific mind must decide in the affirmative. No remedial agents, are so well adapted for this work, as the highly potentized. Having been triturated, or diluted, in accordance with Homoeopathic principles, it is fitted for its destined object; to accompany the minute nervo-filaments.

It is evident, therefore;

That the subtle minute Electric fluid accompanying the nerves through their ramifications, demand a minute agent.

When the Almighty created the Heavens and Earth, He first laid the foundations of the earth, ^{with} the coarser or grosser materials; dividing it from the finer.

The former He called Earth, the latter waters. Then He made a subdivision of

the waters. The finer part He called Firmament, or air. But this was not enough; a tertiary division was made of the air, the finer part called the lightnings. And for aught we know, still higher divisions were made, from which He created the spiritual man, or mind. The mind or Spirit required an agent through which to act upon the grosser organs of the body. The subtle electric fluid was prepared for this wonderful agency, and must be secreted, so to speak, by the nerves.

Consequently, large nerves accompany the large arteries, and small ones, the smaller arteries. They perform the office of telegraphic wires to attract the electric fluid from the arterial system, into which it has entered by inspiration from the atmosphere.

It is then transmitted immediately to the Spinal Cord, Medulla Oblonga, Cerebellum, and Cerebrum, the residence of the mind, to be sent forth on the motor nerves at will. By the agency of the two contraction, relaxation, flexion and extension, are instantaneously performed throughout the muscular system.

Consequently, when nearly disposed of, by physical, or mental exercise; depletion, tiredness, or lassitude follow.

Rest and Sleep are then necessary, to restore its quantity, for a coming day's labor. Thus the immaterial mind of man, requires this fine nervous pathway, and the subtle electric fluid agent, to bear its will, and perform its desires in every part in this fine house of mechanism. When therefore this beautiful Superstructure is ---

invaded by the subtle invisible force.
"Disease", Should not a like remedial
 force be sent to rout him from his en-
 trenchments? The High Attenuation is
 that like force. But a coarse low drug
 will be pretty sure to meet, with a worse
 than Bull Run defeat.

But the highly refined attenuation,
 like the Ineluctable Grant, faithfully
 and tenaciously, holds its ground, taking
 outposts one after another, till the
 subtle foe is obliged to evacuate his
 stronghold. In fact this is the Contrast
Law by which the Nations of the earth
 have been actuated, Like must be met
 by Like. Armies are raised, to meet like
armies in deadly conflict. The murder-
 er meets a like penalty. The unjust
 must pay a like amount for his ras-
 cality. Cicero says; "The great prevailing,

Law of all mankind must be the law of God. But we have a Higher precedent, than that of man.

The world of mankind were suffering, under a curable Spiritual Disease.

A like remedy was provided by our Heavenly Father. He gave his only begotten Son. The Son allied himself to suffering man. He took upon himself the seed of Abraham, or mans nature. He suffered, He died, to save man from the power of that curable Disease. For "He bore our sins in his own body on the tree". The irrevocable Law of God demanded a like remedy for the disease. Man performs his duty when he follows in the footsteps of this Omnipotent, and Omnipotent Physician of souls. He is certainly safe in so doing.

Our limits forbid our pursuing this pleasing subject much farther. The same might be said of the Respiratory, Digestive, and Glandular Systems, that has been said of the vascular and nervous Systems.

But, we notice one objection to the truthfulness of our Proposition.

That is, "Such a little Hahnemannian Snowshine portion can have no effect".

We reply, that not only its surface has been made, millions of times larger by Irritation or Dilution, as mathematically demonstrated by our able Seignior Professor, but is substantially matter of fact.

The little gaseous, Hahnemannian snowshine, infinitesimal portion of the Small-Pox virus, floating in air produce a mighty effect.

This is tangible to no organ of sense,
yet in time it produces, fever, infla-
mation, swelling, Suppuration Gan-
grene Mortification and Death.

Why this effect from this little portion?
The answer will destroy this man of
straw.

The above objection was made against
Homoeopathy in our presence, by the
most Scientific Allopath Physician,
in Orleans County Vermont; in presence
of the Lieutenant Governor of the State,
Judge of the County, and other distin-
guished Gentlemen. We gave the above
reply. The Governor, politely informed
the M.D. that he would have to try,
again, before disproving the effect of
Small portions.